



## **EVENT ENSURES PROPER DISPOSAL OF HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE**

Rutherford County is hosting a Household Hazardous Waste Collection Nov. 3. From 8 a.m. until noon in the City of Murfreesboro Public Works Facility, 4765 Florence Rd

All households are encouraged to participate. Accepted items are home maintenance/improvement products such as used strippers and thinners, adhesives, driveway sealant, roofing tar and wallpaper remover. Home lawn and garden products that are accepted include pesticides, fertilizers, and wood preservatives. In addition, acceptable miscellaneous items include pool chemicals, photo processing chemicals, aerosols /compressed gas, mercury thermostats and thermometers, fluorescent tubes, compact fluorescent bulbs and medicines/drugs. Please empty medications into a zip lock plastic bag before bringing to the event. Also, be aware that the Sheriff's Department, located at 940 New Salem Highway in Murfreesboro, and has a free collection bin for unused medicine that is available year round. The bin is located in the main lobby of the department.

Items that are not accepted include medical/biological waste such as needles, sharps and infectious wastes. Automotive gas tanks, explosives, ammunition, gun powder and fireworks are also banned from this collection. In addition radioactive wastes such as smoke detectors and radium paint will not be accepted

Electronic waste is also not accepted at this event. Instead, this is collected each Tuesday and Saturday at 1140 Haley Rd. in Murfreesboro. This free collection takes place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Items such as old televisions, computers, monitors, and computer peripherals are accepted, but the cord must be attached.

This event is for households only so waste will not be accepted from doctor's or veterinarian's offices, hospitals, businesses or institutional waste, colleges, schools, agribusiness, home improvement or painting contractors.

Paint is no longer accepted at this collection. For directions on solidifying latex paint please refer to [www.rutherfordcountyttn.gov/environmental](http://www.rutherfordcountyttn.gov/environmental). You may also call 615-542-4633 for a flyer to be mailed. Rutherford County will, however, host an oil-based paint collection on Saturday, Oct. 20 from 8 to 11 a.m. at 1140 Haley Rd. in Murfreesboro.

This is a great opportunity to safeguard homes from potentially dangerous chemicals. For more information please contact Mimi D. Keisling at 615 542-4633 or by e-mail at [mkeisling@rutherfordcountyttn.gov](mailto:mkeisling@rutherfordcountyttn.gov).